

OPERATED DURING FIRE

Patient in Biddeford, Maine, Institution Under Knife

WHILE HOSPITAL BURNED

Umbrellas Had to Be Held Over Patients Bed to Shed the Water Which Was Being Poured Over the Burning Building.

Biddeford, Me., March 14.—Trull hospital was destroyed by fire this morning. All the patients were removed without much difficulty. The fire broke out when a woman patient was being operated on. During the last five minutes of the operation it was necessary to hold umbrellas over her bed to shed the water which leaked through the ceiling. She is not expected to live. Two other patients are in a critical condition.

Seventeen patients were removed from their beds during the fire, which was confined to the two upper floors of the hospital and caused the loss of \$5,000.

THREE VILLAGES DESTROYED.

Eruption of Volcano on Island of Savail.

Honolulu, March 14.—The officers of the steamer Sierra, which arrived here from Sydney, N. S. W., via Samoa, report that the eruption of the volcano on the island of Savail, of the Samoan group, continues on a large scale. Three villages have been completely destroyed, including Mataeola, where was located the finest cocoa plantation on the island. The residence of A. King and G. Bartlett have been reduced to ruins and are a total loss. The lava from the volcano is flowing into the ocean in a stream three quarters of a mile wide and twenty feet deep at the rate of twenty feet an hour. At night a solid wall of molten lava, five miles long can be seen reaching far out into the sea. For some distance ahead the sea water is boiling and the surf breaking over the fiery stream. The government recently ordered the steamer Maori to remove women and children from the scene of danger.

The steamer reports that there has been no communication with Tahiti since the recent disastrous hurricane.

COST \$21,000.

Vicksburg Monument Goes to Boston Firm.

Boston, March 14.—The contract for the building of the monument to the Minnesota troops engaged on the battlefield at Vicksburg has been awarded to the W. B. Van Amringe Granite Company of this city. The head of the company, W. B. Van Amringe, was in St. Paul a few weeks ago, and the contract was signed at that time. The monument is to cost \$21,000, and will be an obelisk of rough stone, one hundred feet high, without any figure. The base will be of cut granite.

TO VISIT KING EDWARD?

Langwirths Are Slated to Do That in June Next.

London, March 14.—The Chronicle says that Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Langwirth, when they visit London in June, will make a stay at the Buckingham palace as the guests of King Edward. They will also visit the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough, the Duke and Duchess of Roxburgh, and Ambassador and Mrs. Reid.

HURLED TO GROUND.

One Man Killed and Another Badly Hurt in Washington.

Washington, March 14.—A swinging iron derrick attached to Raleigh hotel accidentally struck a scaffold on which two men were working this morning, hurling them feet to the ground. One, Frank Hammond, was killed instantly, and the other was seriously injured.

EIGHT ANNUAL BREAKS.

This Time Burglars Got \$90 at West Stockbridge, Mass.

Pittsfield, Mass., March 14.—For the eighth time in eight years the West Stockbridge post office safe was blown open early this morning and \$90 in money was secured and \$70 worth of stamps were blown all over the floor.

MINERS STRUCK.

Following Great Mine Disaster at Courrières, France.

Paris, March 14.—Following the great mine disaster at Courrières, 5,000 miners in the Courrières neighborhood have declared a strike. Other miners threaten to join a strike movement.

PLAINFIELD.

I. O. Ricker was in Ryegate and Grotton Tuesday on business.

Fred Laird of Montpelier was in this place on Friday of last week.

H. Q. Perry and W. J. Batcher were in Montpelier and Barre on Tuesday.

Mrs. S. A. Batschler and daughter, Alice, also Mrs. Blanche Townsend, were in Montpelier on Tuesday.

William Wheeler, while working about the saw in the mill on Saturday, cut the third finger of his right hand off and received a number of lacerations on the hand.

Mrs. Amanda Batcher has received word of the death of Mrs. Nancy Lawrence, wife of Franklin Lawrence, Mrs. Batcher's brother. The death was due to a shock on March 3d. Mrs. Lawrence was 81 years old.

SENT PECULIAR LETTER.

Executor for Todd Woman Admitted He Wrote It.

New York, March 14.—A contest over the will of Mrs. Margaretta Todd, the aged and wealthy woman whose mysterious death near Philadelphia last fall has never been fully explained, was begun yesterday. Mrs. Todd's body was found on the railroad tracks and there was evidence that she had been carried there after death in order to conceal foul play.

In the will contest, Mrs. Todd's daughter, Mrs. Frank Toussie, and her grandson, Milton Bereshelm, are attempting to have a different executor appointed in place of Ingersoll Lockwood, a lawyer who now fills that position.

Mr. Lockwood while on the witness-stand yesterday identified a letter which he said he had written. It was dated July 8, 1903, and was addressed to the manager of the apartment house in which Mrs. Todd lived. Lockwood explained that he referred to a man named Deal, who frequently visited Mrs. Todd when he wrote:

"That little son of a gun is a dirty little beggar. She promised me faithfully not to leave him a cent. If he makes love to her heaven only knows what she will do. He is a shallow rogue; continue to play him. Have a duplicate key made to her apartment."

Previous to the introduction of this letter Lockwood had testified that he did not have a key made for Mrs. Todd's apartment, but said that he did tell the manager of the apartment house that it was unsafe for the lady to live all alone in her apartment and suggested that it might be well if he provided a duplicate key.

A reporter for a morning paper testified that in an interview with Mr. Lockwood he had told him that there were two wills, one made in 1903, the will now being contested, and another made in 1903.

On cross examination, witness could not remember whether Lockwood told him that he had the wills or that he knew there were two wills.

DODGE ON PROTECTION.

Balfour and Chamberlain Are at Present Non-Committal.

London, March 14.—The opening of the debate in the House of Commons Monday on motion of Sir James Kitson, ministerialist, declaring it to be the determination of Parliament to resist any attempt to institute protective duties, proved to be uneventful. The motion was aimed to emphasize the dissension supposed to exist amongst the Unionists, but former Premier Balfour humorously treated it as a motion of confidence on the opposition, and both he and Joseph Chamberlain avoided committing themselves to any expression of opinion. The main points of interest in the debate were of a personal character. Mr. Chamberlain once called the premier "uncivil," and on another occasion Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, testily replying the opposition for "wasting time," exclaimed:

"Enough of this tomfoolery, move your amendments and let us get to business."

The debate continued into the small hours. At one point Sir Edward Clarke, Mr. Balfour's colleague in the representation of the city of London, made a notable repudiation of Mr. Chamberlain's usual policy of declaring himself in favor of Mr. Balfour's policy of retaliation. The division will be taken.

HIS THROAT WAS CUT.

New York Police Think This Actor Was Murdered.

New York, March 14.—The body of Louis De Lange, a playwright, whose home was formerly in Philadelphia, was found in his room at West 142nd street when his brother went to awaken him yesterday. De Lange collaborated in the production of "The Little Trooper," "The Little Host" and "Sweet Annie Page." He was formerly an actor.

FOR STATE CHAMPION.

Brattleboro and St. Johnsbury Teams Will Meet.

White River Junction, March 14.—The rubber game for the championship of the state between the Brattleboro A. C. basketball team and St. Johnsbury A. C. basketball team will be played here on Wednesday evening, March 21.

Special trains will run from both Brattleboro and St. Johnsbury to accommodate the enthusiastic friends of each side. The teams have won two games apiece in the series and the rubber game promises to be also one.

Brattleboro trimmed Bellows Falls, its nearest rival, at Keene last week.

ADDRESS TO STUDENTS.

Montgomery Rollins of Boston Spoke at Dartmouth College.

Hanover, March 14.—Montgomery Rollins, the financial writer, formerly connected with the E. H. Rollins Bank, company of Boston, addressed Dartmouth students last night on "Finance." Of the demand for an elastic currency he said that there was money enough and that a more elastic currency than we now have would only benefit speculators. He also spoke of the need of laws regulating the affairs of trust companies, of banking, and the formation of pools.

RIPE FOR CHANGE.

Chinese Think China Should Adopt European Ways.

New York, March 14.—Prince Tsai Tai, first cousin to the Emperor of China visited Ching-tsun last night and was given a royal welcome. The prince was entertained at the Hotel Savoy, Joseph Singleton, president of the Chinese Real Estate association made a speech of welcome to which the prince responded. The prince during his remarks said he believed in European ways and thought it was about time that China should adopt them.

DISAPPOINTED OVER MONEY

Schidlofski Found Bride Not So Rich As He Expected

WAS TESTIMONY TODAY

In Trial of Boston Man Who Is Charged With Murdering His Wife—Had Told of His Disappointment to His Friends.

Boston, Mass., March 14.—In the Schidlofski murder trial today, Isabella Schidlofski testified that she was unrelated to the prisoner and that the latter said to her on the morning before he was married to Marcella that he would find out in a few days if his wife had been true to him, and that he believed she had lied to him about all of the money she possessed.

An aunt of the murdered woman testified that she talked with the prisoner after the wedding about his contemplated trip to Baltimore, and Schidlofski said his wife had less money than she had represented before marriage.

TOLD HOW SHE WAS HURT.

Mary M. Strong Sued Burlington Electric Railroad.

Burlington, March 14.—A good share of the day was taken up in Chittenden County Court yesterday with the testimony of Mrs. Mary M. Strong, the plaintiff in the suit of Strong vs. the Burlington Traction Company, the case to recover \$5,000 alleged to have been insured in an accident caused by the defendant company's agents' careless running of the car.

Mrs. Strong testifies that on the day of the accident she boarded an open car on North Winooki Avenue near the corner of North street. She sat about the middle of the car and at the end of the seat. The car was going fast. After they had passed Grant street she saw a wagon directly ahead and across the rails, but did not see the horse. She arose from her seat, partially as she feared something might happen, and almost simultaneously the car crashed into the wagon and she was thrown out of the car.

She was shown up with fractured ribs, a dislocated shoulder, a fractured hip, a fractured leg, a fractured arm, a fractured hand, a fractured foot, a fractured toe, a fractured finger, a fractured thumb, a fractured nose, a fractured ear, a fractured eye, a fractured ear, a fractured eye, a fractured ear, a fractured eye.

TO ADVANCE GEN. HOWARD.

May Be Made Lieutenant General on Retired List.

Burlington, March 14.—The information that Senator Redford Proctor had introduced a measure into Congress providing for the advance of Major General O. O. Howard, U. S. A., retired, from that rank to that of lieutenant general on the retired list was received last evening. The measure is submitted as an amendment to the army bill.

BUSINESS IS EXPANDING.

Waterbury Packing Company Will Branch Out in Randolph.

Waterbury, March 14.—The Demeritt & Palmer Packing Co. have made definite plans to erect a canning factory at work on plans for the building, which will be of cement and practically fireproof. It is the plan of the company to make the new plant with a larger capacity than the one they now occupy by the father of the girl last fall when there was trouble between her and the teacher. The members of Miss Lawrence's class have been summoned to appear at the time mentioned.

CLAIMS NEGLIGENCE.

Dinah E. P. Edmonds of Wallingford Sues Railroad for \$5,000.

Rutland, March 14.—Dinah E. P. Edmonds of Wallingford has brought suit against the Rutland railroad to recover \$5,000 for alleged negligence. She claims that she broke her arm and sustained other serious injuries while alighting from a train at South Wallingford on February 3, and that it was due to the negligence of the road to provide a proper platform. Butler & Maloney are counsel for the plaintiff.

ROUTLAND COUNTY DRUGGISTS ORGANIZE.

Rutland, March 14.—The first organization of druggists in the state of Vermont was made yesterday in this city, the pharmacists to be known as the Rutland County Druggists' association. It is expected that other druggists in the various counties will organize similar associations within a few weeks.

NEW PRESIDENT FOR TUPTS.

Rev. Dr. Frederick W. Hamilton Chosen by Trustees.

Boston, March 14.—The trustees of Tufts college met in this city yesterday and elected the Rev. Dr. Frederick W. Hamilton president of the college, to succeed the late President, Elmer H. Garrison. The newly elected president is pastor of the First Universalist church in Roxbury and is a native of Portland, Me.

GETS WEEK'S DELAY IN EXTRADITION

Patrick McCabe Is Working to Prevent His Being Brought Back into United States to Face a Grave Charge.

Montreal, March 14.—The hearing on the extradition proceedings in the case of Patrick F. McCabe, formerly Central Vermont station agent at Bolton, Vt., and now a fugitive from justice, was taken before Judge F. X. Choquet of the court of special sessions, sitting as extradition commissioners, at 2:30 yesterday.

A strong corroborative case of circumstantial evidence, tending to show that the respondent was the man who committed the crime, was presented by State's Attorney A. L. Sherman of Burlington, Vt., who was assisted by former Crown Prosecutor J. F. Cooke.

The witnesses improved by the state were Sheriff E. H. Horton, Burlington; the Hon. Fuller C. Smith, chairman of the board of railroad commissioners; Superintendent C. E. Soule of the Central Vermont; Carl Preston of Bolton, who was at the throttle and struck his engine during the wreck; George S. Bronson, a freight brakeman, who last set and locked the switches at Bolton; Arthur B. Stevens, a lumber dealer of Bolton, who saw the wreck and the false signal lights; Carl Preston of Bolton, who saw the signal indicating a clear track, while the switch was set wrong; Louis Blair, who was with McCabe the afternoon and evening of the wreck and who testified against the prisoner; and also Miss Grace Green, stenographer of the United States court at Montreal.

THREATENED TO KILL HER.

Says Georgianna Cadieux Who Sues for Divorce.

Burlington, March 14.—Papers have just been served by Deputy Sheriff Ravlin in the divorce case of Georgianna Cadieux vs. Eugene Cadieux. In the petition there is also a prayer for an injunction against the husband asking that he be restrained from interfering with her or her daughter, Ophelia. Mrs. Cadieux alleges that her husband has threatened her life and the life of her daughter.

IN ST. JOHNSBURY, TOO.

Liquor Raid Made and Seller Was Convicted Yesterday.

St. Johnsbury, March 14.—Officers raided the rooms of William J. Brennan on Railroad street Saturday night and found therein a small quantity of intoxicating liquor. Brennan pleaded guilty to keeping and selling intoxicating liquor and settling with the court yesterday by paying a fine of \$300 and costs of nearly \$25.

DR. LEWIS SUES J. W. HOLTON.

Claims He Was Denied Possession of a Piece of Jewelry.

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Miss Gertrude M. Bacon is spending a week with friends in Randolph.

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Harlan M. Gaylord of Brookfield and Will W. Sprague of Montpelier were in town Tuesday and Wednesday on business. The latter as general agent for the P. M. Sharples separator, was here to establish a local agency.

HE MISTOOK THE TRACK

And Was Struck by Train at Barton Landing

AND CANNOT RECOVER

William Sheldon, Employed at Prouty & Miller's Mill, Is Fifty-five Years of Age and Has a Family.

Barton Landing, March 14.—William Sheldon, employed at Prouty & Miller's saw mill, was struck by a train at 6:45 o'clock this morning and sustained injuries from which it is not expected he can recover. He was walking on the track and probably mistook the track on which the approaching train was running. He is 55 years of age and has a family.

TOURNAMENT POSTPONED.

State Bowling Match at Montpelier on March 27.

The date of holding the state bowling tournament at Montpelier has been postponed to March 27, and good sport is assured. Thus far there have been the following entries: from Rutland, one five-man team, three two-man teams and 5 single participants; from Burlington, one five-man team and the same from Barre and Montpelier. The tournament will be played on Daley's alleys and will cover two days.

NINE APPLICANTS.

Overseer of Poor Job in Montpelier Is Much Sought.

Montpelier, March 14.—An ad interim stated today that nine applications for the position of overseer of the poor have been received for the appointment, which will be made tonight. The only applicant known to the public is S. W. Benjamin, and he is likely to succeed Calvin L. Parmenter, against whom considerable opposition has developed.

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POST OFFICE CUT OFF.

South Northfield Office Has Been Discontinued.

Northfield, March 14.—The Post office Department has given notice that the postoffice at South Northfield will be discontinued April 2. After that date all mail addressed to South Northfield will be delivered through the Northfield office. Those who appear to have mail boxes erected by that time will be sent by the rural free delivery carrier and to others through the office direct. This will not conflict with the present delivery of the Star Route carrier on the road between South Northfield and East Roxbury. The present postoffice at South Northfield was appointed a few months since.

TWO FOR THE INVINCIBLES.

Defeated the Reliance Candle Pin Men in Two Strings.

The Invincible bunch of bowlers took two strings from the Reliance team in their candle pin match at Alexander's alleys last evening. Austin secured high single string score of 104 with Brown a close second with 103. Brown had high three-string total of 285.

INVINCIBLES.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Score 1, Score 2. Includes Oliver, Boyea, Bird, Bellier, Brown, Totals, Trenoweth, Dowglass, Taylor, Cole, Austin, Totals.

LUMPERS AT HARDWICK GET BETTER AGREEMENT

Will Go to Work Under New Schedule Tomorrow—Quarry Workers' Union Now Has Ninety Branches and Is Still Growing.

The nineteenth charter in the Quarry Workers' International union has just been granted to Red Granite, Wisconsin. The eighty-ninth was granted by Secretary P. F. McCarthy during his visit to Stanstead, P. Q., Canada, which he returned last night. There are 36 members in the Stanstead branch, and the present strength of the union is about 4,700. On the trip north Secretary McCarthy visited the quarrymen at Newport, this state, and assisted in straightening out a local difficulty. He was intending to return by way of Hardwick to assist the lumpers there, but got word that they had effected a settlement with their employers on what they consider to be a satisfactory basis.

FERTEL GOT DAMAGES.

He Was Run Down by George B. Peck for Rockland, Maine, Having been called to assist in reaching a new bill of prices in the lumber trade.

Because George B. Peck, an aid in the Roosevelt celebration in Montpelier on August 30, 1902, ran down Moses Fertel, a street cleaner. Fertel told the jury that he was sweeping State street, near the foot of Eastern avenue when Peck rode into him, knocking him down and inflicting injuries from which he did not recover fully for several weeks. The witnesses were all heard yesterday forenoon and the arguments were finished in the afternoon. The jury was as follows: E. D. Galt, A. W. Dolton, A. C. Brown, Charles Howland, L. J. Elliott, W. E. Denmore, F. W. Bullard, A. E. Foss, James Lovett, D. C. Green, F. M. Lawson, George Whiteaker, Albert Zucker.

HIT BY ROLLING STONE.

A. J. Langfield, Quarry Owner, Sustains Broken Leg.

A. J. Langfield, the paving and quarry owner contractor, had the misfortune to break his right leg yesterday afternoon, while at work at his quarry on the Westerville side of "the hill."

DEATH OF J. M. EASTMAN AT WEST FAIRLEE

Senior Member of Firm of Eastman Brothers Died Yesterday Afternoon After Only a Short Illness.

John M. Eastman, senior member of the well known firm of Eastman Brothers, died at his home in West Fairlee at two o'clock yesterday afternoon, of acute indigestion. Dr. Gile of Hanover and three other physicians came to Mr. Eastman's home yesterday, intending to perform an operation which was considered the only possible chance of saving his life. When Dr. Gile arrived, however, it was too late to save the patient by an operation and he died soon afterwards.

NORTH MONTPELIER.

Mr. Reil visited his family in Lebanon, N. H., over Sunday.

Henry Brothers went to Burlington with his oldest boy Tuesday to be treated for appendicitis.

Geo. Hazelton of Montpelier was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Geo. Kelton was in Montpelier Tuesday.

Mrs. Fred Little and daughter, Edith, visited in Marshfield over Sunday.

Los Townsend called on his brother, Joseph, Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry Britton of Waterbury is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jackson.

Mrs. D. Lawless was in Montpelier over Sunday.